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DEPT FOR S/NM AMBASSADOR VANCE

CARACAS FOR DEA

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNARCO

SUBJECT: INCREASED NARCOTICS ASSISTANCE

REF: BOGOTA 7465, 7503

1. DURING MEETING WITH FONMIN LIEVANO AFTERNOON
JULY 28, I REVIEWED FOR HIM THE DISCUSSIONS I HELD
IN THE PAST WEEK WITH THE SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE
MINISTRY OF DEFENSE. (REFTELS) LIEVANO APPEARED TO BE ALREADY
FAMILIAR WITH THESE DISCUSSIONS, PRESUMABLY HAVING
BEEN BRIEFED BY THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE. LIEVANO
INFORMED ME THAT HE AND THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE WERE
IN AGREEMENT WITH MY PROPOSAL TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREE-
MENT FOR INCREASED ASSISTANCE WITH THE NATIONAL POLICE.
LIEVANO SAID THAT THIS WAS THE "CORRECT" COURSE OF
ACTION FOR THE EMBASSY AT THIS TIME. I ASKED WHETHER
I COULD ALSO ASSUME THAT PRESIDENT LOPEZ WOULD HAVE
NO PROBLEMS WITH THIS COURSE OF ACTION, AND THE FONMIN
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SAID THIS WAS CORRECT.

2. I TOLD THE FONMIN THAT I WAS PLEASED TO BE IN
A POSITION NOW TO WORK OUT WITH THE POLICE A MUTUALLY
ACCEPTABLE PLAN FOR USING THE FY 76 FUNDS NOW AVAILABLE.
I MENTIONED THAT WE WILL BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE NATIONAL
POLICE IMMEDIATELY, AND THAT I PLAN TO BRIEF THE
MINISTER OF JUSTICE ON THESE MATTERS IN THE NEXT DAY
OR TWO.
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